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## 18th Wing changes command

By Capt. CK Keegan 18th Wing Public Affairs

Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Remington relinquished command of the 18th Wing to Brig. Gen. Jan-Marc Jouas at 8 a.m. in a change of command ceremony Thursday in the 961 AACS hanger.

When General Remington took command of the 18th Wing, April 12, 2002, he said he had three issues he wanted to focus on during his command, taking care of the people of Kadena, flying and fixing aircraft, and providing security for deployed Airmen and aircraft. As he passed the guidon to General Jouas, he said Team Kadena surpassed those goals and applauded everyone's tenacity, spirit and pride.

"I respect your deep love of country .... I respect your willingness to put the greater good of the team and mission above your personal needs. I respect your considerable skills you show me everyday getting those aircraft in the air." he said.

General Remington also thanked the local community for their relationship which has been forged over the years in order to make living on Okinawa better for everyone. He said it's a bond that needs constant nurturing, and the community leaders provided



Air Force/Staff Sgt. Chenzira Mallory

Brig. Gen. Jan-Marc Jouas, 18th Wing commander, accepts command of the 18th Wing Thursday morning from Lt. Gen. Thomas Waskow, 5th Air Force commander.

the trust and friendship needed to keep the relationship growing.

But his main focus was on the outstanding work of Team Kadena which showed in the Unit Compliance Inspection, Operational Readiness Inspection and those who came back from deployments, weary and tired, having given their best defending America.

"You have been magnifi-

cent. Hold your heads high and be proud of who you are and what you do. Thank you for letting us be a part of your team and thank you for your lovalty."

After receiving the guidon from Lt. Gen. Thomas Waskow, 5th Air Force and U.S. Forces Japan commander, General Jouas faced the 18th Wing as the 53rd commander.

"I'm humbled and grateful for this opportunity to serve with the biggest and best wing in the Air Force," he said.

He also thanked the wing for the work they do each day in service to America.

"In our lifetime, there has not been a more important time to be in uniform. We are a nation at war, a war that will not soon be over," said General Jouas.

"Your sacrifices, your readiness, and your willingness to fight for what we as Americans believe in are what stand between us and those who would threaten us. Whether they be terrorists, tyrants, or tin-pot dictators. I am proud to serve with you; to ensure that if the call to arms comes, we will not be found wanting."

General Jouas entered the Air Force in 1979 as a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy.

He has served as a squadron commander, operations group commander, joint staff division chief, special assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chief of Staff and a wing commander.

This is General Jouas' first assignment in Asia, coming to Kadena from the 354th Fighter Wing at Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska. He is a command pilot with more than 3,000 flying hours. He has flown the T-37, T-38, F-4D/E/G, F-15 and F-16. He has flown over 80 combat missions in operations over Iraq and Kosovo.

"Working together as a team, with integrity, excellence, and service before self as our guiding principles, I have no doubt that we will succeed, and continue the great tradition and legacy of this mighty wing."

## Ibanez takes lead of Kadena civil engineers

By Master Sgt. Adam Johnston 18th Wing Public Affairs

Col. Juan Ibanez, Jr. accepted the reigns of command of the 18th Civil Engineer Group from Col. Steven Lillemon in a change of command ceremony June 18 at Building 3660.

"It has been an outstanding run filled with challenges, achievements, highs and lows," said Colonel Lillemon.

"We have made a significant improvement and set the way ahead for continued improvement in the base and family housing infrastructure, where we live, work and play. The 18th CEG's efforts allow Kadena to focus on projecting combat airpower anytime, anywhere. That deserves one huge hooah," said Colonel Lillemon.

Colonel Ibanez arrived to Kadena after serving as the chief of the readiness division, directorate of the civil engineer at Air Combat Command headquarters at Langley AFB, Va.

He said he had three themes he will focus on at the group: ready people, warrior attitude and teamwork. He said these themes will help the group be able to say, "Here



Air Force/Staff Sgt. C.E. Lewis

Col. Juan Ibanez, Jr. accepts the guidon of the 18th Civil Engineer Group from Brig. Gen. Jeffrey A. Remington, 18th Wing commander on June 18 at Building 3660.

I am. Send me," like Isaiah in the Bible. "We are in the support business," he said. "It's tough and you do it very well. You should be proud of that. However, the global war on terrorism and the many other challenges now facing our nation and our Air Force means we must continually get better."

Colonel Ibanez, according to his official biography, entered the Air Force in 1975 as an enlisted security police specialist before receiving his commission in 1981.

He has held various base level and staff positions to include command of two civil engineer squadrons and an expeditionary civil engineer squadron during Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Colonel Ibanez has been awarded the Bronze Star. As commander of the 92nd Civil Engineer Squadron at Fairchild AFB, Wash., his unit won the 2000 Air Force Outstanding Civil Engineering Squadron category for small unit.

Colonel Ibanez is also a registered professional enginer in the state of Texas.

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### New commander ready to lead Kadena Airmen

By Brig. Gen. Jan-Marc Jouas 18th Wing commander

On behalf of my wife Marion and me, thank you all for your wonderful and warm welcome to Kadena Air Base!

I am honored and proud to command the finest and largest combat wing in the Air Force. Our reputation as a premier warfighting organization is well known and respected throughout the Air Force, and so assuming command yesterday was both a humbling and inspiring experience. I look forward to meeting many of you in the weeks to come, but more importantly, serving alongside you in this crucial theater of operations.

As commander of the 18th

Wing, I am privi leged to work with America's best — the men and women of the Air Force, Navy, Army and Marines - who protect and defend the interests of the United States and our host nation. The outstanding efforts made by Team Kadena place us shoulder-to-shoulder

with service members throughout the world who defend our Nation and its allies, particularly now in time of war. My focus as commander will be primarily on the two areas that determine

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Brig. Gen. Jan-Marc Jouas

18th Wing commander



the success of any unit, from the smallest element to the largest wing: mission and people. I believe in taking care of both, and in working as a team - and I believe deeply in our Air Force core

look to you, the members of Kadena Air Base - military and civilian who work. raise your families and contribute throughout our community - to be part of the team.

to strive to keep our readiness peaked, and to ensure that our greatest asset - our people - are treated with respect and recognition for their service to our country. As commander, I also hope to build upon the

have fostered with officials from Okinawa City, Kadena Town, Chatan Town and the Okinawa Prefectural Government. And I encourage all of us to get out and enjoy Okinawa, to travel, to use our thirty days of leave each year. to take time off with family and friends. Relaxation and fitness, is important to maintaining a good outlook, and a proper balance in our lives. I assure you that I will be available to listen and respond to your concerns. Our mission is straightforward vet comprehensive, and each of you has a vital role in maintaining peace and security in this region. I'm proud to be at Kadena with you, sharing that mission, and serving our Nation together.

### ACTION LINES E-mail:



Brig. Gen.
Jan-Marc Jouas
18th Wing
commander

The 18th Wing is very interested in ideas that can make Kadena an even better place to live, work and play. If you have a concern that you have been unable to resolve through normal chains of command, then we'll look into

it. Although not required, it's better to give commanders, first sergeants or the agencies with which you have the concern the opportunity to correct the situation first. When that fails, send us an e-mail. Include your name and telephone number so someone can get back to you, and a brief summary of your concern.

#### PHONE NUMBERS

AAFES Action Line	645-4301
Base Exchange	633-4570
Clubs	634-3002
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Finance	634-1996
Fraud, Waste & Abuse Hotline	634-0404
Home Telephone Helpline	634-4080
Housing Maintenance	634-HOME
Kadena Services	634-1719
Medical and Dental	630-4785
Safety	634-SAFE
Security Forces	634-1397

#### **Court of contension**

Have senior leaders seen the condition of the tennis courts on Kadena? Why are the courts in such disrepair?

18th Services Squadron now proposes to demolish courts as opposed to repairing them. This can't be for lack of community use. Are there not long waiting lists for those seeking to pay for tennis lessons? I pay \$80 per week forlessons for my daughter, yet when I take her to use courts near the Officers' Club or the NCO club, we find 4-foot tall weeds growing above the net, or torn netting, or lights that don't work. Perhaps more disheartening, the court surfaces at the Pro Shop (courts # 1-4) are completely worn away. If any courts need to be shutdown, it should be courts 1 - 4 since they pose a serious slipping hazard.

The 18th SVS provides many notable community needs, and we are all thankful for their efforts. the 18th SVS should re-look at the usage of the courts. It would be unfortunate for someone to slip and injure themself or for the community to have fewer recreational tennis

courts simply because Kadena decided the community is better off with fewer facilities.

You are correct, we should have never allowed the courts to get in this condition. A project to repair, resurface and upgrade the tennis courts at the Risner Fitness Complex already exists. While this project is currently not funded, it is the 18th Mission Support Group's number one unfunded priority for any fallout funds that may be awarded at the end of the fiscal year

The NCO Club courts are already scheduled for demolition as part of the Stillwell Housing Redevelopment Project. The Officers' Club courts are already scheduled to be converted to parking for the new VQ's. A work order has been submitted to replace the net posts at the courts located next to Gate 1.

The 18th Services Squadron is confident the 11 courts at the Risner Fitness Complex can meet the demand of the Kadena tennis community. The 18th MSG will continue to push to obtain funding to upgrade and maintain the tennis facilities every year.

## SHOGUN

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### SHOGUN WARRIOR OF THE WEEK



Senior Airman Jason Robert Bond

353rd Operations Support Squadron, special operations center controller Hometown: Roanoke, Va.

Reason for nomination: Shows poise, leadership and capability of a seasoned NCO. Sets the benchmark for others to aspire toward.

Time at Kadena: 1 year and five months

Editor's note: Shogun Warriors are selected by unit leaders for their outstanding value to their unit and dedication to the Kadena mission. To nominate someone, send the name of your nominee to your unit commander or senior enlisted leaders.





PROMOTION PARTY: The Kadena Top 3 and the 56 Club will hold a promotion celebration today at 4:45 p.m. at the Rocker NCO Club ballroom. Organizers say there will be free food and beverages for those wishing to congratulate Kadena's newest promotees. For a list of new promotees at Kadena see Page 4.

SPADES TOURNAMENT: A King and Queen of Spades Tournament will be held at the Kadena Officers' Club July 23 from 6 to 11 p.m. First place team will receive \$200 and a trophy and the second place team will receive \$100. Entrance fee is \$40 per team and \$10 per spectator. For more information, contact Loretta Washington at 630-4999.

MOTORCYCLE REQUIREMENTS: All motorcycle and scooter operators and passengers are required to wear international orange or lime green reflective vests during the day. The vest must have 138 square inches of reflective material and cannot be covered by a backpack or other items. Also, as a reminder, Airmen with motorcycles and scooters must attend motorcycle safety training every three years.

SOFTBALL TOURNEY: The Kadena Top 3 is hosting a softball tournament July 16-18. The entry fee is \$125 per team. The group is looking for 16 mens teams and six women's teams for the event. Umpires and balls will be provided for all games.

BOATRACES: Teams from Kadena will participate in a boat race at 11 a.m. Sunday in the Kadena Town fishery port near Gate 4.

DROP BOXES: Kadena postal officials say the intent of U.S. mail drop boxes here is to provide customers with a convenient means for mailing letter class mail. However, some restrictions on the boxes do apply for customers. Articles containing any merchandise of any kind require a customs form and must be mailed at the Kadena post office.

POSTAL ADVISORY: Postal officials say there are a number of restrictions on mailable items from Japan. Some of the items frequently detected by Japanese customs are fresh fruits, meat products and pornographic materials, all are prohibited items.

## Okinawa Perspective: This week's news review

By 1st Lt. Chrystal Smith 18th Wing Public Affairs

SEND US YOUR BRIEF COMMUNITY ITEM

The following is a synopsis of articles about Kadena and U.S. military that appeared in the locally published newspapers Okinawa Times and the Ryuku Shimpo between June 16 and 22.

☐ Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi was on Okinawa June 23 to participate in a memorial service held for those killed during the Battle of Okinawa.

The service is held annually at Peace Memorial Park in Itoman City.

☐ Kadena officials will allow Japan Air Self Defense Force aircraft temporary use of the runway during the nighttime from October to March 2005 until the runway at Naha Airport is repaired.

JASDF aircraft will be on standby to perform alert missions, scramble and rescue search activities at Kadena AB.

☐ It was reported that the Department of Defense announced that the U.S. Navy's Multi-mission Maritime Aircraft would replace the P-3C aircraft on Kadena after 2012, and mainly provide an anti-submarine surveillance mission.

☐ A local Okinawan school held an international exchange event with Kadena students at an elementary school in Naha City.

Ninety-seven sixth graders from Jyonan Elementary School hosted this fifth international activity and invited 20 students from Kadena AB.

The Okinawan students introduced American students to the Japanese cultures including Karate and Takeuma.

☐ The Fire Defense Agency in the General Affairs Ministry announced the results of a recent survey they conducted that ranks regions according to how capable it is in preventing regional disaster and managing a crisis as a result of a natural disaster, nuclear power station accident, and terrorist activities.

The survey's results are based on a region's self-evaluation, and it found that measures against storm and flood damages are inadequate compared with those against an earthquake.

Okinawa scored 39.1 of a possible 100 points, which is less than the national average of 43.5.

Overall the prefecture ranks 30th, with Tokyo ranked 1st and Gunma Prefecture last.

☐ As a result of Dianmu, the water storage rate in nine dams on Okinawa was reported at more than 90% as of June 21.

Water restriction was lifted for the military June 17, but it is strongly encouraged by officials that water conservation measures continue to be applied.



### 2004 promotion rates mirror last year's figures

#### **Test statistics Air Force-wide**

The average master sergeant selectee score for the this year's test cycle was 340.73 points, based on the following:

- 134.33 points for enlisted performance reports.
- 64.01 points for promotion fitness exam.
- 64.86 points for specialty knowledge test.
- 28.30 points for time in grade.
- 36.10 points for time in service.
- 21.21 points for decorations.

The average master sergeant selectee this year has 3.64 years time in grade and 17.22 years in service. Promotions for those selected will begin in August and last until July 2005.

The average technical sergeant selectee score for this year's test cycle was 317.55 points, based on the following:

- 133.02 points for enlisted performance reports.
- 62.35 points for promotion fitness exam.
- 55.66 points for specialty knowledge test.
- 33.72 points for time in grade.
- 25.19 points for time in service.
- 5.91 points for decorations.

The average technical sergeant selectee has 4.55 years time in grade and 11.46 years in service. Promotions for those selected will begin in August and last until July RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — Air Force officials have selected 6.217 of 23,956 eligible technical sergeants for promotion to master sergeant, a 25.95-percent selection rate; and 9,114 of 42,248 eligible staff sergeants for promotion to technical sergeant, a 21.57percent selection rate.

The final tally will increase as Air Force Personnel Center officials here receive test scores for Airmen currently deployed.

Each of those Airmen has 30 to 60 days to test after he or she returns home.

"We have roughly 3,000 warriors who haven't tested yet because they've been deployed," said Chief Master Sgt. Mark Billingsley, enlisted promotions branch chief at the center.

They will be allowed to test when they return, and we'll automatically consider them for promotion. We do this as quickly as possible and

18TH WING BRANCHE, JOHNNY A DAVIS-VAILS, CRYSTAL GEBBIA, CARI J GRAY, REGINALD E JR SCOTT, HENRY E

18TH COMPTROLLER

HARDING, CHARLES G WESTON, KARENA L

44THFIGHTER SOLIADRON

909TH AIR REFUELINGSQUADRON BUSH, CARLOS L DELLALUCCA, MATTHEW MIDDLETON, TIMOTHY

MYERS, CHRISTOPHER WEBSTER, MICHAEL J

31ST RESCUE SQUADRON ANTHONY, JEFFREY L COREY, GABRIEL A SERNA, GABRIEL JR

961ST AIRBORNE AIR CONTROL SQUADRON

CONTROL SQUADRON
ALTMAN, DANIEL L
ARNOLD, STEPHEN M
CRUZMEDINA, HECTOR
ELLIS, JOSEPH E
GORDON, DARNELL C
HERMANNS, MARK S JR

HERMANNS, MARK S HOLLAR, CURTIS A KEELER, BRIAN R MURPHY, JOHN W RIVERA, CILBIANO D STONE, SHAUN K

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18TH OPERATIONS SUPPORTSQUADRON BIBBINS, GLENNIS R COOPER, PAUL D GREER, RICHELLE B ROBERTSON, CURTIS E STOCKWELL, JEFFREY TERNOWSKI, DANIELLE THOMAS, SCOTT A THOMPSON, CORNELIOUS

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LAURENT, CHANEA M LEDLOW, BRYAN D

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CARTER, IVORY JR
COULMAN, TIMOTHY C
CULBERTSON, DOUGLAS
DUCHENY, PETER F
ELLIS, DANIEL M

ELLIS, DANIEL M FRANTZ, RICKEY A LARA, ERWIN G POLIDARIO, FREDERIC ROGERS, MICHAEL C ROMERO, JOSEPH M ROUSE, JAMAIN D

**EVACUATION** 

LAGUA, KATONNA J

SQUADROI AZZOLINE, LISA A

announce supplemental promotions on a monthly basis until everyone has been considered.

The master sergeant selection rate rose .39 percentage points from last year, while this year's technical sergeant rate dropped .32 percentage points from last year.

"This year has proven to be another banner year in terms of the number of people who have been able to earn promotions," Chief Billingsley said. "The Air Force had predicted we'd see rates start to stabilize and that's what is happening here.

"The rates this year are almost identical to last year's rates, but we are actually able to promote several thousand more people to each rank than we did initially last year," he said. "That's because we're getting a better handle on testing folks before they deploy — trying to get in sync with the (air and space expeditionary force) battle rhythm.

"The higher number of people selected is very good news for those Airman who are showing through performance and preparation the potential for more responsibility and the higher rank to go with it," the chief said. "The message is clear: There is opportunity for those who want to step up to the challenge."

The complete list of selectees will be posted to the Air Force Personnel Center's Web page at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/eprom/ by 6 p.m. CDT on June 25.

People who tested are expected to receive their score notices in early July, allowing them to see just how their promotion fitness examination and specialty knowledge test scores rank against others within their Air Force specialty. Each individual can also get an electronic copy of his or her score notice June 28 by logging into the virtual military personnel flight at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil

#### 158 to become Kadena Senior NCOs

The following people were selected for promotion to master sergeant at Kadena.

18TH WING CRUZ, LARRY R EWING-CARTER, NOELLI MANDELL, STEVEN J PARKER, JULIET

18TH COMPTROLLER SQUADRON GARDNER, VANESSA O HILLARD, CANDACE L HOPKINS, RON C

18THAEROMEDICAL EVACUATIONSQUADRON MCGILL, SAMUEL P

31ST RESCUE SQUADRON NAQUIN, TROY E 33RD RESCUE SQUADRON KOLB, KEITH W

44THFIGHTERSQUADRON EDWARDS, SCOTTY J 909TH AIR

REFUELINGSQUADRON BRYANS, SEAN M

AIRCONTROLSQUADRON MAGILLIGAN, BELINDA

18TH OPERATIONS UPPORTSQUADRON SUPPORTSQUADRON GILLS, TIMMIE J LESTER, KIMBERLY J MINSTER, GERALD L J TYLER, LEROY III WALKER, IVAN

18TH CIVIL
ENGINEER SOUADRON
CARTER, MICHAEL J
CHAMPAGNE, GARY C
HASTINGS, DAVID A
HERRINGTON, KEVIN A
PURKEY, JAMES A
QUINN, ROBERT D

718THCIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON CRITTLE, ANTONIO D ROBERTSON, ELWOOD J

GILLIAM, NINA T OLIVER, TRISHA L

18TH DENTAL SQUADRON STILES, THOMAS

18TH MEDICAL OPERATIONS SQUADRON GRAY, BRYAN L WOOD, BENITO F

18TH MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCI SQUADRON BOREN, TODD A LEE, JAMES A PARKER, GUY L RANSEN, WILLIAM L WOOD, THOMAS L

18TH EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCESQUADRON COLE, CHARLES J EACHUS, PORNTHEP A

HARRIS, GREGORY J HAWTHORNE, KENT J PERVALL, KEITH E ROSBURG, BENJAMIN SMITH, MICHAEL R

718THAIRCRAFT MAINTENANCESQUAD BOBOWSKI, DAVID A BOBOWSKI, DAVID A
BOOKER, ERIC J
BRUNER, BERNARD T J
CHAMBERLAIN, KENNET
HARBISON, STEVEN S
HENSLEY, SANDRA L
JOHNSON, BRIAN K
KULPINSKI, TODD S
MCNAIR, EDWARD JR
PRICE, KEVIN W
TERRY, KEITH G
WALDEN, WILLIAM C I

18TH MAINTENANCE
OPERATIONS SQUADRON
BASSETT, JON M JR
HOY, MARCO F
MORRIS, MICHAEL M
TENINTY, EDWARD L I
TODD, ANDRE A

181H MUNITIONS SQUADRON LACHAPELLE, JAMES S LAURELL, LESLIE L SETTLE, JAMES R III SWEARENGIN, GLENN M TRAYER, CRAIG A

18THCOMPONENT MAINTENANCESQUADE MAINTENANCESQUADRON
BUKANTAS, ROBERT A
CRUMP, VENTON C
HARRIS, CODY P
HAYNES, LARRY A SR
MAGEE, KELVIN
MANISCALCO, STEPHEN
MCELHENY, SHAWN A
OLSON, SCOTT J
PERALTA, SERGIO JR

18THCOMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON SOUADRON

ALM, DAVID C
GRIGGS, MARK L
HOLLISTER, HOWARD D
JOSEPH, JERRY W II
LOFLIN, GREGORY A
MILLER, TERRY
MONTROSE, TERRY L
OBSUNA, BERNARD S
PURDIE, CHRISTOPHER
ROGERS, JOHN G
TIMBERLAKE, RICHARD
WHITED, RONALD C

18TH MISSION SUPPORT JOHNSON, ANTHONY W TUTEN, WILLIAM K

PICK, DOUGLAS L

PICK, DOUGLAS L

18TH LOGISTICS

READINESS SOULADRON
ATKINSON, LARRY D
BLAIR, KENNETH D
CHRISTOPHER, DERALD
HOPPER, PETER D
JOHNSON, HORACE S J
JONES, MICHAEL L
LANE, CARL JR
ROBINSON, RUSSELL T
ROZICK, ROBERT C
SISCO, STEPHEN B
SMITH, PAUL R
STEWART, ROBERT A
TAULILIL, ALICE P
TEACHER-MCCOY TOUNG
THOMAS BRIAN A
VANLEUVEN, RODNEY R
WAITHE, WESLEY D

WALLACE, EUGENE S WILLIAMS, JONATHAN WILLIAMS, YVETTE M

18TH MISSION SUPPORTSQUADRON KLENIEC, RONALD J

18TH SECURITY FORCESSQUADRON GATES, BRIAN J PACK, OTTIS L JR

18TH SERVICES SQUADRON DANIELS, OUIDA W STILES, RICHARD D WHITE, FIRELLO U

320THSPECIAL CURRIER, DONALD O SECOR, TROY S WRIGHT, RONNIE C

353RD MAINTENANCE 353RD MAINTENANC SQUADRON CARLSON, MICHAEL D HOLDEN, LEE A MARLIN, SHERWIN R REAY, JOHN M ROBERTS, ERIK L

353RD OPERATIONS SUPPORTSOUADRON CARLSON, REBECCA V EGGERS, DENNIS J ESPINOSA, GREG C MULLINIX, BRYAN P

17TH SPECIAL OPERATIONS SQUADRON STEWART, TERRENCE K

372ND FIELD TRAINING SQUADRON BRUNELLE, DALE M SOLOMON, GARY J TACKLESON, DANIEL C 390THINTELLIGENCE

SQUADRON
ANDERSON, BRIAN E
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COMIA, PACIFICO S J
CRAIG, KEVIN W
EVANS, ROBERT G JR
HAMLIN, GREGORY L
JOHNSON, JEFFREY G
MUMPHREY, AARON

733RD AIR MOBILITY SUPPORTSOUADRON GOODRIDGE, LEATHA E MCCASKILL, KEVIN J WHITE, TIMOTHY D

733RD AIR MOBILITYSQUADRON DOTSON, ULYSSES S INGLEDEW, EDWARD

82ND RECONNAISSANCE

DET. 3, PACAF AIR POSTALSQUADRON PATTON, MARIVIC C

PACAFCIVIL
ENGINEER SQUADRON
JARVIS, JAMES C
KAWAHAKUI, ROBB G
LAVIN, GERALD
MARTINEZ, GILBERT L

#### STEINBACHER, CHRISTIAN

ENGINEER SQUADRON ALLSHOUSE, KRISTINA SHIN, STEVEN K

18THAEROSPACE MEDICINESQUADRON FRONTERA-OCASIO, SAMUEL MITCHELL, BRANDON PARKER, SCOTT M VANDERWAL, HANK

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BULLARD, SARAH M
HAWKINS, MARVIN L J
HILL, CHRISTALEEN V
MCCLEARY, DIONNE M
MOODY, ROBERT L
PALMER, DIANA O
WHEELE THOMAS W WHEELER, THOMAS W .

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SEXTON, ERIC M
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CATHCART, FRANKLIN
COCHRAN, STEVEN R
DURDEN, CARLOS R
DURNING, BOBBY L
FINSTERBUSCH, MICHAEL
FITZPATRICK, WESLEY
FLEMING, JOSEPH L
FORD, JEFREY A
HARRIS, SHAUN O
HEGGEM, TIMOTHY J
JOHNSON, SHERRILL W
KELLEY, MICHAEL J
LACAR, JOSHUA G
LIBKE, CHRISTOPHER LACAR, JOSHUA G LIBKE, CHRISTOPHER LITTLETON, LAURENCE MARTINEZ, FERNANDO MASIELLO, JASON E ROGERS, JEANNA I SAUNDERS, DEVON L WASHINGTON, KEVIN T WILLIAMS, ANDRE C

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BROWN, MICHAEL D

MCNABB, ROBERT B MCNAMARA, WILLIAM J ORTIZ, JULIO R ROBINSON, TROY SAMANIEGO, MICHAEL SCHATZMAN, DANIEL L STODOLA, JEFFREY C

288 to sew technical sergeant stripes on at Kadena

The following people were selected for promotion to technical sergeant at Kadena

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SQUADRON
ANDREWS, CHARLES II
BADSTEIN, ALBERT JR
BUTLER, BRYAN J
HAAS, KEITH V
HERNANDEZ, PABLO
KOSKOVICH, TRAMPESS
MCCARTY, RYAN M
MCCOLLUM, RANDOLPH
POLK, STEPHEN R
SOULT, DAVID M
STACKALIS, WILLIAM
STEWART, SHAWN M STEWART, SHAWN M STIGER, BRENDA L TRUJILLO, JUAN P WILBERT, CLIFTON M

18TH MUNITIONS SQUADRON
BIRKS, DAWN M
EBERSPACHER, DAVID
GREER, GARY C JR
HOPKINS, TONI D JOHNSON, HOWARD N KIEREJEWSKI, CANDIC MARTIN, DAVID J MARTIN, SCHENNAY V MCLEOD, JASON L MENZEL, JASON B MERSING, ROBERT C MEKSING, ROBERT C MIKAIO, JEFFREY V RICHARDSON, SCOTT R TADLOCK, DONALD C TOM, KURT G VONADELUNG, DAVID J MOY, MATTHEW J

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SQUADRON
BECKHAM, MICHAEL I
CARTWRIGHT, JASON D
FUNCHESS, FRED N
GALLEGOS, JAMIE R
GRAVES, KENNETH P HARRIS, JERMAINE O HARRIS, TERRY L HOBBS, ROBERT L HOEKSTRA, ANDREW W HUDMAN, RAYMOND T HYLTON, TINA M JACK, JONATHAN D MOLL, BRIAN C MYERS, KERSHUN L NICHOLSON, BARNETTE PURVIS, ANNIE R ROSARIO-CASTANERA, C SATTERWHITE, CHANTAL SHORT, DAVID E II SMITH, REGINALD L J WILLIAMS, SARITA W

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HINES, TONYA TENE
LOCHR, JEFFREY A
MARSH, ANGELINE
MITCHELL, CHARMELL
MORGAN, YOSHEMA
MUNOZ-WARGAS, JOSE A
OLSON, CORY P
PEPITO, RITCHE B E
PINEIRO, MELANNIE Y
ROE, SCOTT D
SUBER, KEVIN J
WILLIAMS, ASHLEY M
WONG, TAMMY Y WONG, TAMMY Y

OPERATIONS SQUADRON BODDY, JACQUES L CREGGER, SHEILA DOBSON, DAVID W MARJASON, MATTHEW C TURNER, ORENZY JR

18TH MEDICAL OPERATIONS SQL ARENDES, AIMEE L CRAIN, TEENA M MCGILL, DENA K WORTMAN, CHARLES G

18TH MISSION SUPPORT GROUP GRAHAM, MELVIN W

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COUNCIL, DANA C
GLOVER, DIETRICK L
HUGHES, LAMONT
MURDOCK, ROBERT J J SMITH, MARK E WATKINS, WALTER ROY WILLIAMS, KEVIN L

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BOSWELL, PHALENNY GONZALEZ, MELISSA A JERDON, DAVID M RODRIGUEZ, FELIX JR CASTILLO, LISA M JI, MIKE

353RD SPECIAL OPERATIONSGROUP EVANS, MICHAEL N JR THOMAS, LATOYA D

353RD MAINTENANCE SQUADRON
BLANCO, JOSEPH A
CONAWAY, CHRISTOPHE
COX, RORY C
FLUKER, DARRELL D HELLWIG, TRENT L PERKINS, ALBERT K SHEWMAKE, DEREK A STANFIELD, DUANE C WASHINGTON, MARK A

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LAWHORN, LARISSA E PADILLA, JUAN JR

17TH SPECIAL OPERATIONS SQUADRON YOUNG, RODNEY L

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733RD AIR MOBILITY SUPPORTSQUADRON BOYENS, JOHN M CHAPEL, MATTHEW A EVANS, ERNEST J JR GARRON, MICHAEL L GARRON, MICHAEL L HOWARD, JERRY G JOHNSON, LINDELL L KILBY, DONNA M KROUPA, JESSE L MARASCIO, CHARLES J MCNEAL, COREY L MERCADO, JUAN JR PRICE WILLIAM W

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A NEWS STORY? CALL THE KADENA



## 'Typhoon Alley' spawns costly, dangerous storms for Kadena

By Master Sgt. Adam Johnston 18th Wing Public Affairs

While weather officials acknowledge the effects of Typhoon Dianmu on Kadena last weekend were minimal, they also caution residents not to fall into a false sense of security. "The time lines of the typhoon warning conditions are there for safety purposes," said Tech. Sgt. Glen DeMars, NCO in charge of the combat weather team with the 18th Operations Support Squadron.

Officials at Kadena say Typhoon Dianmu — a typhoon that had it's genesis as a super typhoon — did little damage to the base, dumped a little over two inches of rain and had maximum wind speeds of 54 knots (approximately 62 mph) on Sunday at 6:08 a.m.

But while the effects of Typhoon Dianmu were minimal, life in an area known as "Typhoon Alley" can have it's hazards.

Nearly five years ago, Kadena was hit by the strongest typhoon in 45 years as Super Typhoon Bart uprooted trees, flooded homes, tipped over trailers and ripped roofs from buildings with winds that topped off at 160 knots (approximately 184 mph). Bart also caused about \$3.8 million in damage to Kadena. No injuries were reported during the storm. Super Typhoon Faye in September 1957 was the only storm that matched Bart's ferocity with winds at 126 knots (approximately 145 mph).

While Bart may have wreaked havoc on Kadena, residents three years ago "dug-in deep" for a third round of punches from Typhoon Nari in September 2001 as the typhoon hit Okinawa from the east on Sept. 7 and 8 and then made a "U-turn" in the East China Sea and came back toward Kadena on Sept. 14, 2001.

The storm dumped more than nine inches of rain, flooded a number of housing units and offices in Kadena's low-lying areas and caused about \$2.5 million in damage to the



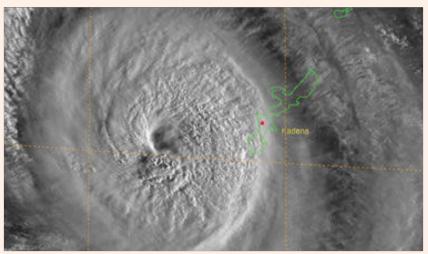
File photo

Super Typhoon Bart uprooted trees, flooded homes and ripped roofs from buildings at Kadena when winds topping off at 145 mph ripped through the base in September 1999. The storm, the largest in the last 45 years, also caused about \$3.8 million in damage at Kadena.

base

Nari's 100-mile wide eye brushed over Kadena's airfield on its second pass Sept. 8 with sustained winds at 66 knots (approximately 76 mph) with wind gusts as high as 99 knots (approximately 114 mph). Housing residents weren't the only victim's of Nari's initial attack. The Kadena commissary lost \$50,000 in frozen meats and dairy products when the building lost power for more than 18 hours during the storm.

On July 14 and 15, 2002, Kadena residents endured their third attack from Mother Nature in a 10-day period as Typhoon Halong battered Okinawa with winds speeds close to 70 knots (about 81 mph). The storm dumped more than 10 inches of rain on Kadena and the eye of the storm passed directly over the base. Weather forecasters at the time clocked wind speeds within Typhoon Halong as high as 99 knots (about 114 mph) at Kadena. Base officials estimated that Typhoon Halong caused about \$750,000 in damage mostly to electrical transformers, air conditioner units and roofs in Kadena's housing



File photo

Typhoon Nari hit Okinawa from the east on Sept. 7 and 8 in 2001, then made a "U-turn" in the East China Sea and came back toward Kadena on Sept. 14. The storm dumped nine inches of rain, caused an estimated \$2.5 million in damage as residents also reeled from the shock of terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center here after Sept. 11, 2001.

Typhoon Rammasun crushed hopes for clear skies and fireworks on Independence Day in 2002, when the storm with a 55-mile-wide eye swiped the base July 3 and 4. Rammasun reached its peak strength with winds about 96 knots (about 110 mph) as the storm came within 164 miles of Kadena. On Kadena, the maximum wind speed was 63 knots (about 73 mph) and the storm dumped more than 10 inches of rain on the base. Damage by the typhoon was considered light by officials as wind damage to trees and debris clean-up were estimated at about \$45,000.

On Sept. 4, 2002, Typhoon Sinlaku passed over Okinawa and thrashed Kadena with wind gusts reaching 123 knots (about 142 mph). During two days of bombardment, Typhoon Sinlaku had sustained winds of 69 knots (about 79 mph) and dumped more than 17 inches of rain on Kadena.

Officials say Typhoon Sinlaku cost the base about \$2.7 million in damage.

Last year Super Typhoon Maemi interrupted training at Kadena as it passed by Okinawa Sept. 10-12.

The super typhoon killed one and injured nearly 100 residents of Miyako Island, approximately 170 miles southwest of Okinawa.

More than 20,000 residents on Miyako Island went without power as the storm dumped more than 16 inches of rain.

While the storm pounded Miyako Island, the storm only dropped about two inches of rain on Okinawa - one inch during the storm and one inch during the final hour of the recovery phase Sept. 12.

The storm's eye passed 130 miles west of Okinawa on Sept. 11, 2003, hitting Kadena with speeds of 51 knots (about 57 mph).

Officials ask residents to adhere to the typhoon readiness conditions because they credit that cooperation as the reason why no typhoon-related deaths have occured on Kadena.

# It depends on whether you're talking about the weather

By Master Sgt. Adam Johnston 18th Wing Public Affairs

Tech. Sgt. Glen DeMars spins his words with constant qualifiers, quantifiers and stipulations like he's appearing before a Senate inquiry panel.

A conversation with the NCO in charge of the combat weather team with the 18th Operations Support Squadron at

Kadena is similiar to talking with a top grade defense lawyer.

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B u t Sergeant De Mars may talk like he does because when he and others say "the



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word" it may mean the difference between a day off or on for people at U.S. military

bases across the entire island.

"Just one word in my job can change the meaning of something dramatically," explains Sergeant DeMars.

Last weekend, he and his fellow weather forecasters gave "the word" to top officials at Kadena to consider shuttering the base as a precaution against Super Typhoon Dianmu as it headed toward Okinawa

"Initially we thought we'd take a big hit because the storm was classified as a super typhoon," Sergeant DeMars said on Monday. But at 3 a.m. June 18, Super Typhoon Dianmu was downgraded to Typhoon Dianmu.

"As it got closer, the season caught up with it. Conditions weren't as favorable and it began to weaken which can be expected at this time of year," he said.

Sergeant DeMars said U.S. military bases went into Typhoon Condition 1 (recovery) on Sunday morning from 9 a.m. and the "All Clear" signal was given Sunday at noon. "We didn't have a storm watch because the storm was well on its way to mainland Japan by that time," he said.

During Typhoon Dianmu, Kadena received 2.07 inches of rainfall and maximum winds at Kadena were clocked at 6:08 a.m. at 54 knots (about 62 mph). "That's maximum winds and not maximum sustained winds," he said qualifying his remark.

But such dislaimers may be understandable. Sergeant DeMars and a crew of nine forecasters seem to be prepared to talk about anything. One call during the height of the storm, left weather troops scratching their heads.

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The call — "Can I take my dog for a walk?" Even the typhoon's winds couldn't unspin the "spin" weather folks tried to place on that call.

Their final answer: "No."





For the last six years, more than 100 jet propulsion mechanics like these have been making dramatic overhauls and extending the shelf life of engines for Kadena's F-15 fleet. The engine to the right is the last "Dash 100" engine that was upgraded to the "Dash 220E" engine at Kadena. Jet mechanics with the 18th Component Maintenance Squadron are: Airman Wesley Boyatt, (front) Airman 1st Class Daniel Cavazos, Airman 1st Class Jeret Sayger, Tech. Sgt. Robert Marshall, Staff Sgt. Jose Alvarez, Senior Airman Lawrence Vissers and Senior Airman Bryan Myers.

## Last call for Overhaul! Mechanics finish 6-year F-15 engine upgrades By Master Sgt. For the last six years, more With the new engines, jet by upgrading the parts of the "It feels good to go

Adam Johnston 18th Wing Public Affairs

Jet engine mechanics have turned the final wrenches on a unique F-15 engine upgrade program here that officials say is an Air Force first and has also saved the service more than \$100 million.

"The difference in the engines is like comparing the engine of a 1956 Chevy to the engine in a car today,"

> Senior Master Sgt. Wayne Fillingim 18th Component Maintenance Squadron

than 100 jet engine mechanics with the 18th Maintenance Group have been converting F-15 engines from the hydromechanical powered F100-PW-100 engine - known by mechanics as the "Dash 100" to an electronically enhanced and maintenance friendly model called the "Dash 220E" or it's technical name: the F100-PW-220E.

The difference in the engine upgrade is like comparing the engine of a 1957 Chevy to the engine in a car made today," said Senior Mas-ter Sgt. Wayne Fillingim, superintendent with Kadena's 18th Component Maintenance Squadron's propulsion flight.

With the old engines the mechanic would constantly have to make tweaks to optimize engine performance based on experience and knowledge," he said. mechanics are able to hook up the motor up to a diagnostics machine and have the engine "tell" the mechanic what's wrong with it. "It takes a lot of the 'guess work' out of engine maintenance," Sergeant Fillingim said.

Before the upgrade program started in 1998, maintenance officials here say that field level jet engine mechanics had never been asked to perform extensive upgrades to the F-15.

"It was estimated that we would save the Air Force about \$600,000 per engine by doing the work ourselves instead of having the work done at a higher-level maintenance depot," said Sergeant

"We saved money in shipment costs, reusing some of the parts from the Dash 100 on the Dash 220E engines and

engine locally rather than exchanging them for new ones from the depot, "he said.

"We've saved the Air Force about \$101 million by doing it this way.'

Before the engine upgrades, F-15s aircrews routinely experience pilot reported discrepancies increased the aircraft nonmission capable rates and decreased its ability to meet flying schedules.

But with the new engines. Chief Master Sgt. Rick Harris, 18th CMS propulsion flight chief said, those problems are hardly on the map now.

"The engine still requires maintenance but the workload is now a lot more predictable," he said.

"This program extremely important because it showed the Air Force that field-level units could perform

"It feels good to go through what we've went through and to be able to say we were the first."

Master Sgt. Jeff Teasdale 18th Component Maintenance Squadron

depot-level maintenance," said Master Sgt. Jeff Teasdale, jet engine intermediate maintenance element chief with the

"This opened the door to decrease the backlog at depot and basically gave Air Force 'field-level' mechanics more well-rounded experience," he said. "It feels good to go through what we've went through, and to be able to say we were the first.'



#### A WEEKLY WRAPUP OF



## Web site explains personnel system to civilians WASHINGTON — Department of Defense offi keeping employees informed and updated as the sys Mr. Runn said Mr. Runn said

cials launched a Web site to educate civilian employees about the new National Security Personnel System. NSPS will make changes in the way the department hires, pays, promotes, disciplines and fires civilian employees.

The site is meant to help DoD employees understand the new personnel system, said Brad Bunn, acting deputy program executive officer.

'Change is difficult, and lack of information about coming changes often leads to stress and anxiety and, unfortunately, misperceptions about what those changes really mean," he said. "We recognize that, and are committed to communicating to our employees about what (the system) will mean to them. The Web site is one communications tool in our toolbox to do that. We will be open, honest and clear about (the system), and our Web site is designed to encourage employee involvement and interest, and minimize misconceptions.'

He said the site will help those affected by the changes to understand the "rationale and benefits" of the NSPS, and that it will be "extremely useful" in

Congress authorized the new personnel system as part of the fiscal 2004 National Defense Authorization Act, allowing DOD officials new authority to develop new civilian human resources, labor-management relations and employee appeals systems.

The new site offers an overview of what DOD employees can expect from the new personnel system, as well as information regarding issues of labormanagement and employee unions, and links to system-related documents.

One feature of the site is a mechanism for visitors to submit comments and ideas about the system directly to the NSPS program executive office, Mr. Bunn said.

"We continuously monitor the input from visitors, and the ideas and comments we receive through the Web site will help us gauge what employees and other stakeholders are really concerned about," he

The site will be a primary communication vehicle, and it will be used throughout all phases of the per-

"It certainly won't be our only means of communications, but it's a central source of information on NSPS," he said. "We want to ensure DOD employees have a reliable, continuing source of information as the system develops.

The Web site is the second attempt by personnel officials to get the word out about the new system. A previous Web site was taken down after a threeweek strategic review of the design and implementation process in April, officials said.

Mr. Bunn said the new site reflects a conscious effort to minimize confusion about plans for the sys-

"We decided to completely redesign the site, giving it a new look and feel, to ensure that it reflects the results of that strategic review," he said.

However, as with any Web site, there is always room for improvement, he said.

'So we encourage our Web site visitors to offer their comments and suggestions about how the new site can become even better," he said.

#### Fallen comrade



A single red rose lays in an empty chair to represent the loss of Staff Sgt. Bobby Franklin, during the return of the 210th Military Police Company, North Carolina National Guard, to Asheville, N.C., after a 15-month deployment in Iraq. Sergeant Franklin died in Baghdad of injuries sustained by an improvised explosive device on Aug. 20, 2003. Sergeant Franklin was the only soldier assigned to the 210th MP Co., that did not return home.

## Official eyes Africa as next terror front WASHINGTON — While most Americans focus on the Midnow to stem the growth of terrorism. Northern Africa ser

dle East as the bull's-eye of terrorist activity in the world, Africa continues to fester as a breeding ground for al Qaeda and other terrorist organizations, the deputy commander of U.S. European Command told civilians attending the Joint Civilian Orientation Conference last week.

Air Force Gen. Charles F. Wald said terrorists being driven from Afghanistan and elsewhere in Southwest Asia are finding safe haven to the south. There, operating in vast, open spaces with long, porous borders, these groups are able to recruit and train members and bankroll their operations, he said.

Africa witnessed terrorism against U.S. targets long before Sept. 11, 2001, most notably when al Qaeda operatives launched attacks against the U.S. embassies in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania, in 1998. Additional attacks in Mombassa in November 2002 demonstrated that terrorist cells were still active.

General Wald said that although most Americans know very little about the African continent and understand even less about its politics, it's critical that the nation focus on this area now to stem the growth of terrorism. Northern Africa serves as a transit route for terrorists headed to Europe, Wald explained. East Africa, particularly Somalia, has become a hotbed of al Qaeda elements. Western Africa has witnessed dramatic rises in anti-American and extremist Islamic rhetoric, particularly in northern Nigeria. And in parts of South Africa, Wald said, "we have no clue what's going on."

General Wald said these terrorist organizations operate much like the Mafia, living and operating in a criminal environment. "They live in the underworld," said he explained. "We have to ... have the ability to get our intelligence into that area and infiltrate there so we can get into their environment," he continued. "And that is when we will stop it."

He warned civilian leaders attending the Joint Civilian Orientation Conference that confronting terrorism in Africa is a long-term proposition, and not one the United States can ignore. 'The terrorist activity in this area is not going to go away," he said. "This could affect your kids and your grandchildren in a huge way. If we don't do something about it, we're going to have a real problem on our hands."

## Pentagon says mission in Iraq to continue after power transfer

WASHINGTON — U.S. and coalition military responsibilities will not end with the June 30 transfer of power in Iraq, Defense Department officials told members of the House Armed Service Committee here today.

However, they also stated that U.S. troops would be pulled from the country if asked by the new sovereign government.

During hearings to discuss the status of U.S. forces in Iraq after the June 30 handover, Army Lt. Gen. Walter L. Sharp, Joint Staff director for strategic plans and policy, said multinational forces will remain in Iraq only at the invitation of the Iraqi people and with the authorization of the United Nations.

The general added that the United States has the backing of Irag's interim government and the United Nations for a security presence in the coun-

He told the committee that Iraqi Prime Minister Ayad Allawi's letter to the U.N. Security Council from the interim government formed the basis for authorizing the continued presence of the multinational force in the country.

General Sharp also cited the U.N. Security Council resolution passed unanimously earlier this month.

Resolution 1546 states that the multinational force shall have the authority to take all necessary measures to contribute to the maintenance of security and stability in Iraq,' he said.

#### A WEEKLY WRAPUP OF THE TOP STORIES AROUND THE AIR FORCE



### President Bush speaks to troops at MacDill AFB

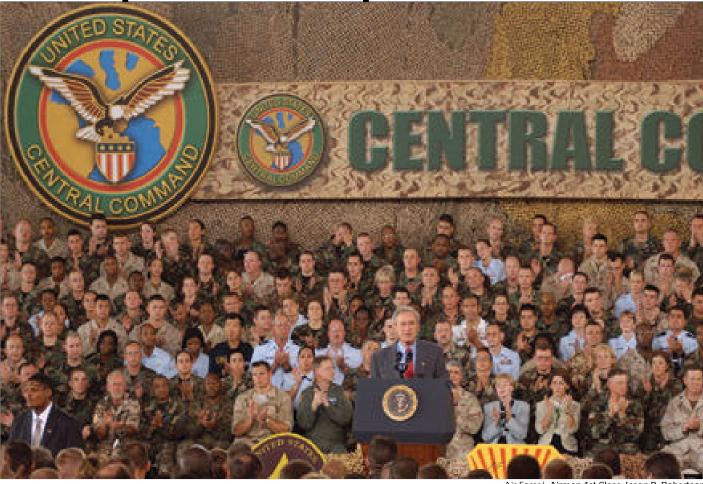
By John D. Banusiewicz American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — With the transfer of sovereignty two weeks away, the future of a free Iraq is coming into view, President Bush told a worldwide military audience and servicemembers assembled at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla.

U.S. Central Command and U.S. Special Operations Command have their headquarters at MacDill.

A satellite television hookup enabled the president to make his remarks directly to servicemembers assembled in hangars at Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan, and Baghdad International Airport, Iraq. The Pentagon Channel and American Forces Radio and Television Service carried his address worldwide to wherever U.S. military people serve.

"On June 30, governing authority will be transferred to a fully sovereign interim government. The Coalition Provisional Authority will cease to exist." In the meantime, President Bush said, the Iraqi people are stepping up to bring democracy to their country. Acknowledging that the U.N. Security Council voted unanimously to endorse the Iraqi interim government and the plan for Iraq's political transition, President Bush cited the "steady progress" the Iraqi people have made. He vowed not to let insurgents and foreign fighters derail the



Air Force/ Airman 1st Class Jason P. Robertson

President Bush addresses servicemembers about the transfer of sovereignty in Iraq during a live broadcast at MacDill AFB, Fla.

process. With more than 200,000 Iraqis serving in or training for the country's new security forces, President Bush said the United States is leading the international effort to train new forces for Iraq

Experience has shown, he said, that Iraqi soldiers naturally want to take their orders

from Iraqi officers, and the coalition is working to build and strengthen the Iraqi chain of command. Iraqi forces captured a key lieutenant of fugitive terrorist Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, repelled attacks on Mosul government buildings and are being greeted warmly by their fellow citizens as they patrol in Najaf,

President Bush said. More violence can be expected in Iraq, President Bush said. The people responsible for the violence, he said, are friends of neither the coalition nor the Iraqi people. Iraq's prime minister said last week that anyone involved in these attacks is a traitor to the cause of Iraq's freedom and the free-

dom of its people, the president said. President Bush listed a litany of successes in Iraq, and again vowed that terrorists would not derail continued progress. The president cited difficulties in the mission and he expressed gratitude to servicemembers and their families for their sacrifices.

#### **American Day**



Air Force/ Staff Sgt. Andrew Rodier

MISAWA CITY, Japan -- A Japanese girl picks up an American flag during the 16th annual American Day celebration June 13 near Misawa Air Base. The event brought more than 70,000 who are interested in learning about American culture from all over northern Japan.

## Hester gets nod to lead Pacific Airmen

HICKAM AIR FORCE BASE, Hawaii — The Secretary of Defense announced June 15 that President Bush has nominated Lt. Gen. Paul V. Hester, Air Force Special Operations Command commander, for appointment to the rank of general and assignment as Commander, Pacific Air Forces, headquartered here.

General Hester is currently responsible for providing Air Force Special Operations Forces and Combat Search and Rescue for worldwide deployment and assignment to unified combatant commanders.

Prior to commanding AFSOC, he was the U.S. Forces Japan and 5th Air Force commander from Sept. 1999 - Nov. 2001, at Yokota Air Base, Japan.

He received his commission through the ROTC program at the University of Mis-

sissippi, entering the Air Force in 1971.

Pending Senate confirmation of his promotion and reassignment, General Hester will become the 29th PACAF commander, following Gen. Bill Begert who is scheduled to retire July 2.

Pacific Air Forces is one of nine major commands of the U.S. Air Force and is air component of the U.S. Pacific Command.

PACAF's primary mission is to provide ready air and space power to promote U.S. interests in the Asia-Pacific region during peacetime, through crisis, and in war.

The command has approximately 45,000 military and civilian personnel serving in nine major locations and numerous smaller facilities, primarily in Hawaii, Alaska, Japan, Guam and South Korea.

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#### **TODAY**

- ▲ VETERANS ASSISTANCE SEMINAR: Meets from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-
- 3366 to register.

  ▲ SUNSHINE TOWN AND KASURI
  STUDIO TOUR: Call 634-4322 to regis-
- ter.

  URASHIMA DINNER THEATER
- ▲ URASHIMA DINNER THEATER TOUR: Call 634-4322 to register. ▲ KUMON MATH: Forty-minute classes for children ages 5 to 18 from 3 to 5:40 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.

#### **SATURDAY**

- ▲ SUPER LADIES NIGHT: Super ▲ SUPER LADIES NIGHT: Super Ladies Night will be held from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. in the Rocker NCO Club ballroom.

  ▲ ROCKERNCO CLUB: Country and Western to Southern Rock from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the lounge.

  ▲ TOGA PARTY: Prizes for the best male
- and female costumes for the party from 6 p.m. to midnight in the Weekender Lounge of Kadena's Officers Club.

  A NISHIZAKI WATER PARK TOUR:
  Call 634-4322 to register.
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  Call 634-4322 to register.

  ▲ EXPLORE THE NORTH TOUR:
  Call 634-4322 to register.

  ▲ SACRED PLACES, SHRINES AND
  TEMPLES TOUR: Call 634-4322 to reg-
- ister.
  ▲ CRAFT FAIR: Show will be held at the
- Schilling Community Center from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

  A TABLETOP WARRIORS: Games
- A TABLETOP WARRIORS: Games held at the Schilling Community Center from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

  A SAXOPHONE, FLUTE AND CLARINET LESSONS: One hour sessions for ages 5 an up held from 7 a.m. to noon. Call 634-1387 for more information.
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  MACHINE PATCHWORK QUILTING CLASS: Class held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.

  YOUTH POOL PARTY: Open to youth center members and nonmembers from 9 to 12 years old, a pool party from 7 to 9 p.m. will be held at the Hagerstrom Pool.

#### SUNDAY

- ▲ POWER BOAT SAFETY COURSE: Kadena Marina holds boating classes every Sunday at 9 a.m. Call 634-6344 for details.
- BATTLE OF OKINAWA TOUR: Call 634-4322 to register
- ASHIBINAAOUTLETMALL TOUR: Call
- 634-4322 to register.
  ▲ FAMILYDAY BOWLING: Begins at 8 a.m. until 11 p.m. at Emery Lanes and Skoshi Bowl. Games are \$1 each when
- Skoshi Bowl. Games are \$1 each when parents and children bowl together.

  A VIDEO AND COMPUTER GAME SWAP: Swap meet at the Schilling Community Center from noon to 2 p.m. Preword video and computer games to buy, sell or trade among other vendors. All games must be pre-owned, no new or copied games may be sold copied games may be sold.

#### MONDAY

- ▲ JUNIOR SUMMER GOLF CLINIC: Session runs Mondays through Thursdays from 8 to 9:30 a.m. or 10 to 11:30 a.m. for a maximum of 12 students. Registration is required. Call 634-3900 to register.
- ister. ▲ KIDS MEMBERSHIP NIGHT: buffet for children, \$5 for adults from 5 to 7 p.m.at the Kadena Officers Club. Open
- 7 p.m.at the Kadena Officers Club. Open to Kadena Officers Club members only.
   ▲ HIDEKATSUDINNER SHOW TOUR:
   Call 634-4322 to register.
   ▲ FAMILYNIGHT BOWLING: From 6 to 11 p.m. at Skoshi Bowl. Games are \$1 each when parents and children bowl together.
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Patrons should call Keystone Theater at 634-1869 or Butler Theater at 645-3465 to verify movie titles, showtimes and ratings.

**Keystone Theater** 

Foster Theater

Wednesday: The Punisher, R, 7 p.m

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Johnson Family Vacation, PG-13, 6 p.m
The Day After Tomorrow, PG-13, 9 p.m.
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Johnson Family Vacation, PG-13, 4 p.m
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Foster Theater
Harry Potter and the Prisoner, PG, 7 p.m.
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Harry Potter and the Prisoner, PG, 7 p.m.
The Punisher, R, 7 p.m.

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#### Mantas in flight



Air Force/Master Sgt. Adam Johnston

Two manta rays and scores of other sea life swim by the main window of the Okinawa Churaumi Aquarium -- one of the world's largest — at Ocean Expo Park in Motobu Town near Nago on the northern end of Okinawa. The aquarium reopened in November 2002 and has several sea-life based attractions. The park is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Dec. 1 to the end of February. Admission is 1,800 yen for adults, 1,200 yen for high school students and 600 yen for primary and middle school students.

held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Call 634-1387

for more information.

▲ CAKE DECORATING CLASS: Class held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.

#### **TUESDAY**

▲TAICHI CHUAN: Class for 18 years old and up held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.

#### WEDNESDAY

- ▲ TEA CEREMONY TOUR: Call 634-
- 4322 to register. ▲ OKINAWA DANCE: Class held from 5 7 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more infor
- A JAPANESE CONVERSATION
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  held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information

#### THURSDAY

- A BANGKOK AND HONG KONG
  TOUR: Tour is from July 1 to 7. Call 6344322 to register.

  A TAICHI CHUAN: Class for 18
  years old and up held from 5 to
  6:30 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more
  information
  - information.

    ▲ J A P A N E S E CONVERSATION CLASS:
  - CONVERSATION CLASS: Class for 18 years old and up held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.

    A JAPANESE CALLIGRAPHY CLASS: Class for 18 years old and up held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.

- JULY 2

  ▲ GOLF SALE: Savings on selected merchandise will happen from July 2 to 4 at the Banyan Tree Golf Course. Call 634-3900
- free Golf Course. Call 634-3900 for more information.

  ▲ KUMON MATH: Forty-minute classes for children ages 5 to 18 from 3 to 5:40 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.

#### JULY 3

- ▲ TABLETOP WARRIORS :
  Games held at the Schilling Community Center from 10 a.m. to 10
  - .. SAXOPHONE FLUTE

AND CLARINET LESSONS: One hour sessions for ages 5 an up held from 7 a.m. to noon. Call 634-1387 for more infor-

▲ MACHINE PATCHWORK QUILTING CLASS: Class held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.

#### JULY 4

- A PICNIC: Various events will be held at Marek Park beginning at 1 p.m. July 4 in celebration of Independence Day.

  ▲ FAMILYDAY BOWLING: Begins at 8 a.m. until 11 p.m. at Emery Lanes and Skoshi Bowl. Games are \$1 each when
- parents and children bowl together.

  A TENNIS TOURNAMENTS: July 4 is TENNIS TOURNAMENTS: July 4 Is the last day to register for a men's intermediate division and women's open division tennis tournament July 17 and 18 and a men's open division and women's intermediate division tennis tournament July 24 and 25. Cost is \$40 per team. For more information call 634-0695

#### JULY 5

- ▲ FAMILYNIGHT BOWLING: From 6 to 11 p.m. at Skoshi Bowl. Games are \$1 each when parents and children bowl each when parents and children bowl together.

  A SUMMERTENNIS CLINIC: One-hour
- session runs from July 5 to 16 and begins at 9 a.m. Class size is limited to six students. Registration is required. Call 634-0695 or 634-3157 for details. A JAPANESE CONVERSATION
- CLASS: Class for 18 years old and up held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.

#### JULY 6

▲ TAI CHI CHUAN: Class for 18 years old and up held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information

#### JULY 7

- ▲ KUMON MATH: Forty-minute classes for children ages 5 to 18 from 3 to 5:40 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more informa-
- tion.

  A OKINAWA DANCE: Class held from 5 to 7 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more infor-
- JAPANESE CONVERSATION CLASS: Class for 18 years old and up held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.
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  information

#### JULY 9

■ KUMON MATH: Forty-minute classes for children ages 5 to 18 from 3 to 5:40 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.

#### JULY 10

- ▲ TABLETOPWARRIORS : Games held at the Schilling Community Center from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. ▲ SAXOPHONE, FLUTE AND
- CLARINET LESSONS: One hour ses sions for ages 5 an up held from 7 a.m. to noon. Call 634-1387 for more informa-
- MACHINE PATCHWORK OUILTING CLASS: Class held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information.

#### JULY 11

▲ FAMILYDAY BOWLING: Begins at 8 a.m. until 11 p.m. at Emery Lanes and Skoshi Bowl.

#### JULY 12

- JUNIOR SUMMER GOLF CLINIC: Session runs Mondays through Thursdays from 8 to 9:30 a.m. or 10 to 11:30 a.m. for a maximum of 12 students. Reg-istration is required. Call 634-
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JULY 13
TAI CHI CHUAN: Class for 18 years old and up held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Call for more information

#### JULY 14

- ▲TOKYO MOUNT FUJI TOUR: Tour is from July 14 to 18. Call 634-4322 to reg-
- ister. A KUMON MATH: Forty-minute classes for children ages 5 to 18 from 3 to 5:40 p.m. Call 6 3 4 1 3 8 7 for more information.
- ▲ OKINAWA DANCE: Class held from 5 to 7 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information
- AJAPANESE CONVERSATIONCLASS: Class for 18 years old and up held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Call 634-1387 for more information

#### JULY 15

SCHOLARSHIPS: Deadline for essay of 500 words or less on "What Freedom Means to Me" to qualify for top prize of \$6,000. For full rules, eligibility and contest details visit the Officers', NCO or Airman's Clubs for details or get an entry form at: www.pafsv.af.mil/clubs

#### P Catholic

- ▲ Monday through Friday : Mass, Chapel 2, noon.
- ▲ Saturday
- Vigil Mass, Chapel 2, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass, Chapel 2, 5 p.m. Mass, Chapel 3, 8:45 a.m. Mass, Chapel 3, 12:30 p.m. and 5 p.m.

#### Protestant

- ▲ Wednesday : Bible Study, Chapel 1, 7 p.m
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  ▲ Sunday : Inspirational, Chapel 2, 8:30 a.m.
  Liturgical, Chapel 3, 8:45 a.m.
  Evangelical, Chapel 1, 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
  General Protestant, Chapel 2, 10:30 a.m.
  Gospel, Chapel 3, 10:30 a.m.
  Sunday school, Bldg, 326 and Bldg 327, 10:45 a.m.

  ▲ Hindu service: Mondays, Chapel 1, noon.

  ▲ Fastern Orthodox service: call 465-7486
- call 645-7486
- ▲ Eastern Orthodox service: ▲ Jewish services: call 637-1027



### **Griffey slams 500th homer**

Round 1: Congratulations go out to Ken Griffey Jr. for belting the 500th homerun of his career. The Cincinnati Reds centerfielder became the 20th

player Major League Base ball history to reach the mile-



stone. When Griffey was still hitting dingers for the Mariners, many people were predicting the young star would break Hank Aaron's homerun mark of 755. When the Reds signed Junior they were hoping to reap the benefits of the power he displayed in Seattle. Unfortunately, age and injury have diminished the oncefeared slugger's numbers throughout his tenure in Cincinnati. Griffey has averaged 18.4 homeruns per year this decade. I believe Griffey can still break Hammerin' Hank's record - he'll be 53 year old when he hits 756.

Round 2: B.B. King sang about how the thrill was gone. Now, the Phil is gone. Phil Jackson said goodbye to the Los Angles Lakers just a few days after his team was embarrassed by the Detroit Pistons in the NBA finals. Jackson is now free to pursue television commentary, book deals or whatever the "Zen master" desires. However, he won't surface again in a coaching job until he's had a few years to think about what transpired in L.A. these past few seasons. Some good, some bad. Now, the Lakers must find someone to step in and reconnect a team that ended the year and has started the off- season in total disarray. Good luck.

Round 3: Martina Navratilova won her firstround match at Wimbledon Monday. The 47-yearold handily defeated Catalina Castano 6-0, 6-1. Navratilova last captured the Wimbledon singles crown in 1990. She has won the title a record nine times on Centre Court at the All England Club. This has the makings of a real good movie.

If you have questions or comments, e-mail me at KadenaShogun.sports@kadena.af.mil

## Officials: AF physical training gear to be ready in October

By Master Sgt. Scott Elliott Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — The Air Force's first physical training uniform will hit the street later this year officials say.

The PT uniform ensemble consists of dark blue running shorts, a gray T-shirt and a dark blue running suit — all with reflective safety markings.

Senior Master Sgt. Jacque-

line Dean of the Air Force Uniform Board said the goal was to have enough PT uniforms by Oct. 1 to supply Airmen scheduled for immediate deployment.

After that requirement is met, the uniforms will be available for purchase through Army and Air Force Exchange Service.

The PT uniform will have a two- to three-year phase-in

Sergeant Dean said the running suit costs about \$100, and the shorts and shirt about

Officials have not yet determined if Airmen will receive a lump sum allotment in October, an increase in annual clothing allowance or a voucher to pay for the initial requirement.

Although personal preference is the rule for PT shoes. Sergeant Dean said they must be conservative in design and color.

Saluting will not be required while wearing the PT uniform, and jewelry wear will be the same as with other uniforms, so long as safety is taken into consideration.

Only active-duty, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve Airmen will be authorized to purchase the PT uniforms from AAFES until adequate supplies are available.

#### Play ball!



President George W. Bush introduces the Bolling Air Force Base Cardinals Little League team on the South Lawn of the White House. The Cardinals played a one-inning T-ball game with the Air Station Devil Dogs from Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station, N.C. "Tee Ball on the South Lawn" is a program the president started in 2001 to highlight baseball.

### **Sports Briefs**

SPORTS TOUR: A soccer match against the Kadena varsity soccer team and a Royal Air Force team is scheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday at the Risner Soccer Field. Other events planned for the visit include a game against a local Okinawan team and a mock "Ryder Cup" golf tournament. The British airmen will also be doing a fund raiser for a local charity during their visit.

BOWLING: The 353rd Maintenance Squadron beat the 733rd Air Mobility Squadron "A" team and 38 others teams to win the base "extra-mural" bowling league. The team also raised \$200 for the Enlisted Widows Home. Due to heavy deployment tasking, the win required 15 different bowlers from the 353rd MXS.

KICKBALL: A kickball tournment will be held Saturday beginning at 11 a.m. at the Four Diamonds complex.

Scuba diving report airs on AFN 89.1FM & 648AM at 8:40 a.m. and 3:40 p.m. every Friday

### **Sports Standings**

Softball Division 1		Softball Division 2			
<u>Team</u>	W	<u>L</u>	<u>Team</u>	W	L
18th LRS(A)	4	0	18th CES (B)	5	1
18th MUNS (A)	3	0	18th MDOS/MDS	S 4	1
733rd AMS	3	1	18th OSS	4	1
18th EMS	3	1	18th LRS(B)	3	1
18th MSS	3	1	82nd RS	3	2
718th AMXS (A)	2	1	18th MOS	3	2
18th AMXS	2	1	353rd OSS	2	2
18th CMS	2	1	909th/961st	2	2
18th CES (A)	2	2	18th DS/AMDS	2	2
18th CS (B)	2	2	18th MUNS (B)	2	1
18th LRS (C)	1	2	AAFES	2	4
18th SFS	1	2	718th AMXS (B)	1	3
18th SVS	1	3	SCP	1	3
18th CES (C)	0	3	623 AFC	1	3
18th CS (A)	0	4	390th IS	0	4
353rd MXS	0	4			

SOURCE: 18th SVS fitness center staff - Current as of June 22